

MINUTES

Board of Education
Caruthersville School District No. 18
Administration Building

Regular Board Meeting
September 8, 2016
6:00 p.m.

Board members present for the meeting:

Lee Bethune
Sandra Barnes
Cynthia Hodge

Dona Clark
Tom McCall
Pat Cagle

Staff members present for the meeting:

JJ Bullington – Superintendent
Dr. Fred Czerwonka – Director of School Services
Rita Jones – Board Secretary

Brad Gerling
Claire Jackson

Misty Rhine
Stacy Bradshaw

Guest present for the meeting: Barbara Hutchison and cadet teacher, Alice Matthews.
Paul Glass from the Democrat Argus.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Mr. Bethune, at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Mrs. Cagle made the motion, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the August 11, 2016 Public tax rate hearing minutes. The motion carried 6 yea – 0 nay.

Mrs. Cagle made the motion, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the August 11, 2016 Board meeting minutes. The motion carried 6 yea – 0 nay.

Revised Agenda: Ms. Barnes made the motion, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the revised agenda. The motion carried 6 yea – 0 nay.

Approval of Bills: Ms. Barnes made the motion to approve the transfer of sufficient funds from Fund 1 to Fund 2 to zero out any negative balances as bills and salaries are paid for the current month and to approve bills paid since the last board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. McCall and carried 6 yea – 0 nay.

Financial Report: Ms. Bullington presented the “Cash Journal Status & Bank Reconciliation Report” as of August 31, 2016. Account balances were as follows: regular checking account: \$1,918,682.82; debt service checking account: \$62,784.15; CMS Athletic checking account: \$5,442.14; CHS Athletic checking account: \$11,423.42; and Safe Room/Admin account balance: \$393,500.88.

Ms. Bullington presented the Board with a listing of expenditures paid to date on the Safe Rooms and Administration Building.

Ms. Barnes made the motion, seconded by Ms. Clark to transfer expenses as presented in the technology department. The motion carried 6 yea – 0 nay.

Communication &
Correspondence:

Ms. Bullington provided the Board with a copy of the Superintendent's newsletter.

Ms. Bullington provided the Board with a copy of the invitation to retirement drop-in for Danny Bullington.

Ms. Bullington provided the Board with a copy of the NAEP 2017 Facts for Districts publication.

Administrative Reports:

Mr. Gerling provided the Board with a written report. Areas noted were:

- Academic meetings held.
- Initial MAP scores show CES has growth in all cohorts and all-time highs in each area tested when comparing proficient/advanced numbers.
- 47 observations were completed in the month of August.
- Professional development plans are due September 30th.
- There were 15 office referrals submitted for the month of August.
- 88.70% of the students have been in attendance at least 90% of the time.
- PK enrollment is 562, compared to last year at 536.

Mrs. McGraw provided the Board with a written report. Areas noted were:

- Academic meetings held.
- There were 22 office referrals submitted for the month of August.
- 91.67% of the students have been in attendance at least 90% of the time.
- Student/Parent/Community events listed.
- Photos of the 1st day of school and PBIS kick-off celebration.

Mrs. Jackson provided the Board with a written report. Areas noted were:

- Beginning of the year events.
- Academic/Committee meetings/CW training.
- NEE Standards selected
- Club meetings
- Fall athletics
- Upcoming events.

- Field trip requests.
- Current enrollment is 297 students.
- There were 57 office referrals submitted for the year.
- Graduation checklist, sample of a transcript, handbook updates, listing of school clubs and organizations.
- Classroom observation scoring rubric.
- Program for the freshman orientation.

Mr. Bradshaw provided the Board with an athletic report for the High School, including schedules and win-loss records.

Dr. Czerwonka provided the Board with a written report. Areas noted were:

- Danny and his team have been busy catching up on the maintenance items that have popped up since school has started. He has been working in transitioning George Howard into his new role as Danny's replacement. We have hired Melvin Gorman to replace George Howard in the maintenance department.
- The construction crew is continuing to work to complete the final punch list from A2H and Henson construction. They are also working to install a magnetic lock at the door between the administration building and the cafeteria/safe room.
- Tommy has been working to get all of the bus routes finely tuned. He had to make a couple of adjustments to meet the needs of our students.
- Aaron and James have been working to fix the additional computer lab at the high school. They were able to repair most of the computers that were in the lab and only had to order 6 computers. This saved the district thousands of dollars. They have also completed the installation of over 90 new security cameras at the high school.

Superintendent's Report:

Ms. Bullington provide the Board with a written report. Areas noted were:

Enrollment:

- Pre-School 70
- CES 476
- CMS 305
- CHS 297

Total Enrollment 1078. (Excluding pre-school)

Attendance:

- CES 95.27%
- CMS 96.77%
- CHS 93.83%
- DISTRICT 95.29%

Ms. Bullington provided the Board with the minutes from the assistant principals meeting.

Ms. Bullington provided the Board with a listing of all the 2016-A MSBA Board policy updates.

Ms. Bullington provided the Board with information and dates of the Missouri Regional Meetings on Education conducted by MSBA and DESE.

Ms. Bullington provided the Board with the 2016-2017 draft budget for review and adoption at the October meeting.

Ms. Bullington provided the Board with the tax rate certification letter.

New Business:

Mr. McCall made the motion, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the DESE's core assurances agreement. The motion carried 6 yea – 0 nay.

Mrs. Hodge made the motion, seconded by Ms. Clark to approve the field trip request to Costa Rica, upon the condition of having a proper number of chaperones and insurance coverage. The motion carried 6 yea – 0 nay.

Mr. McCall made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Cagle to approve the field trip request for JAG. The motion carried 6 yea – 0 nay.

Other Business:

None

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn to closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.022 with a closed record was made by Ms. Clark, seconded by Mrs. Hodge and carried 6 yea – 0 nay.

Adjournment time: 7:01 p.m.

Approved:

Board President:

Board Secretary:
